

HOUSE RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
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A RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOUSE RULES TO AUTHORIZE AUDIO
STREAMING OF HOUSE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS AND CERTAIN COMMITTEE
PROCEEDINGS AS A PILOT PROJECT AND ALLOWING AUDIO OR VIDEO
RECORDING AND STREAMING OF HOUSE COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS WITH THE
PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.

WHEREAS, the rules of the house of representatives may be
amended by a two-thirds vote of all the members of the house or
by a majority vote of the members of the house upon the
recommendation of the rules and order of business committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that a new House
Rule 9-5-7 be adopted to read:

"9-5-7 Photography, video or audio recording or
transmission of committee proceedings may, upon

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1 request, be allowed with the permission of the
2 chair."; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a new House Rule 9-5-8 be
4 adopted to read:

5 "9-5-8 During any session of the forty-ninth legislature,
6 the legislative council service is authorized, in
7 consultation with the speaker, majority floor
8 leader, minority floor leader and appropriate
9 committee chairs, to produce live audio streams of
10 committee proceedings. Any such live audio stream
11 shall be accessible through the legislature's web
12 site in a manner befitting the house of
13 representatives, including an appropriate user
14 interface, and shall begin as soon as practicable
15 after the chair has called the meeting to order and
16 shall terminate as soon as practicable after the
17 committee has recessed or adjourned or upon order of
18 the chair. Any such live audio stream shall carry a
19 notice to the effect that the stream is being
20 produced for the benefit of the public and any
21 political use is prohibited."; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that House Rule 9-10 be amended to
23 read:

24 "9-10 The principal duties of the [~~chairman~~] chair of a
25 committee are:

1 (a) to call the committee together at such
2 reasonable times and places as to enable the
3 committee to properly perform its functions. All
4 committee members will be notified of committee
5 meetings;

6 (b) to preside over meetings of the committee,
7 maintain order and decide all questions of order
8 subject to appeal to a majority of the appointed
9 committee and to ensure that the decorum of the
10 committee is preserved while maximizing the public's
11 ability to observe, report on and participate in a
12 meeting;

13 (c) to supervise and direct the clerical and
14 other employees of the committee, helping with the
15 preparation of reports to submit to the committee
16 and to require the committee to keep a record of the
17 attendance of committee members at all committee
18 meetings and to file such attendance record with the
19 chief clerk on Friday of each week. Such record
20 shall be a public record;

21 (d) to have custody of all papers referred to
22 the committee and to transmit them to the chief
23 clerk when the committee is through with them and
24 endorse on each document what action has been taken
25 on it, if any;

1 (e) to see that bills are discussed in order
2 as they are referred to the committee, except when
3 another order of business is agreed upon by a
4 majority of the appointed committee;

5 (f) to arrange in cooperation with the
6 coordinator for joint hearings with a similar
7 committee of the senate upon arrival of the
8 committee members and the proper senate committee;
9 and

10 (g) in the absence of the sponsor of a
11 measure, be prepared, or designate a committee
12 member to be prepared, to explain the bill to the
13 house."; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a new House Rule 23-8-1 be
15 adopted to read:

16 "23-8-1 The legislative council service is authorized to
17 produce a live audio stream of the house floor
18 proceedings that is accessible through the
19 legislature's web site in a manner befitting the
20 house of representatives, including an appropriate
21 user interface. The stream shall begin as soon as
22 practicable after the speaker has announced a quorum
23 is present and shall terminate as soon as
24 practicable after a motion to recess or adjourn has
25 carried, or upon the order of the speaker. The

1 stream shall carry a notice to the effect that the
2 stream is being produced for the benefit of the
3 public and any political use is prohibited.".

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